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A FEW WORDS FROM THE CHIEF

THIS ISSUE IS BEING PRINTED THIS WAY BECAUSE I FINALLY DECIDED THAT YOU HAD WAITED FAR TOO LONG FOR SOMETHING TO BE DONE. HOPEFULLY, I'LL BE ABLE TO GET SOME STENCILS AND A TYPEWRITER TOGETHER FOR THE NEXT ISSUE. UNTIL THEN PLEASE BE PATIENT. I TAKE ALL THE BLAME FOR THE LATENESS OF THIS ISSUE.

AS SOME OF YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED WE HAVE A NEW NAME. THIS IS ONLY A TEMPORARY NAME WHICH WILL BE USED UNTIL A PERMANENT NAME IS CHOSEN BY THE MEMBERS. ALL MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO INDICATE ON THE ATTACHED REPLY SHEET EITHER THEIR APPROVAL OF THE NAME - POSTAL DIPLOMACY CONGRESS - AS A PERMANENT NAME OR THEIR SUGGESTION OF AN ALTERNATIVE NAME. ALL SUGGESTED NAMES WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ACHERON AND COMMENTS REQUESTED ON THEM. IF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS INDICATE THAT THEY WANT THE TEMPORARY NAME TO BE USED PERMANENTLY, A STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT WILL BE PUBLISHED NEXT TIME.

IN LINE WITH THE POLICY I STATED IN THE LAST ISSUE OF ACHERON THE POSTAL DIPLOMACY CONGRESS WILL, HOPEFULLY, BECOME A SOURCE OF IDEAS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE ART OF GAMESMASTERING AND A FORUM FOR DISCUSSION ON WAYS TO PROVIDE MORE MEANINGFUL INFORMATION TO THE DIPLOMACY PLAYERS IN OUR MAGAZINES. A SPACE FOR COMMENTS TO BE PUBLISHED IS INDICATED ON THE REPLY SHEET. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR REMARKS TO ABOUT 24 LINES OF TYPEWRITTEN MATERIAL. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION WHICH YOU MAY NOT WANT PUBLISHED SHOULD BE SENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET. CLEARLY INDICATE WHICH OF YOUR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS YOU WILL ALLOW TO BE PUBLISHED AND THESE WILL BE INCLUDED, IF THERE IS SPACE. I URGE ALL MEMBERS TO SUBMIT SOME MATERIAL FOR PUBLICATION. LET'S GET EVERYONE'S OPINION SO THAT WE KNOW HOW EACH OF US VIEW THE SUBJECTS UNDER DISCUSSION.

NEW MEMBERS

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE JOINED THE POSTAL DIPLOMACY CONGRESS -

- 39. BRUCE WEBB, 5635 LAUREL CYN BLVD. NO. 16, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CAL. 91607
- 40. PAUL MANKIEWICZ, 9748 BELLEUR DR., DOWNEY, CAL. 90240
- 41. STAN WRCEB, 7 POLAND VILLAGE BLVD., POLAND, OHIO 44514

BRUCE IS GAMESMASTER OF 1969BD IN LEE CHILD'S "DAILY PLANET." PAUL IS GM FOR THE SPARTAN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION LEAGUE DIPLOMACY TOURNAMENT. STAN IS TRYING TO REVIVE DIPLOMACY PLAY IN YOUNGSTOWN, C. AND GM FOR "THE VOICE."

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THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL WAS SUBMITTED BY LEV PLLSIPHER. COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED ON THIS PROPOSAL. MY REMARKS APPEAR BETWEEN /* */.

THE ANNUAL NATIONAL DIPLOMACY CONVENTION IS BECOMING AN IMPORTANT EVENT. YET THERE IS NO METHOD OF DELEGATING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CCN. SCHECNE SAYS, "I'LL DO IT," AND WE HOPE THAT HE DOES. WHEN RCD WALKER COULD NOT FIND TIME TO ORGANIZE DIPCON IV, ONLY GOOD FORTUNE (IN THE PERSON OF LARRY PEERY) SAVED THE CCN. RCD TELLS ME THAT AT DIPCON IV A COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED TO CHOOSE THE SITE OF DIPCON V, BUT THAT IT IS NOT FUNCTIONING. INSTEAD DIPCON V HAS FALLEN TO LEA LAKOFKA AND THE IFW BY DEFAULT. /* THIS HAS NOT AS YET PROVED TO BE A GOOD CHOICE FOR DIPCON V.*/

I PROPOSE THAT THE DIPLOMACY DIVISION /* S/B DIPLOMACY CONGRESS*/ ESTABLISH A DIPCON SITE COMMISSION IN ORDER TO AVOID THE PROBLEMS INHERENT IN THE CURRENT CONFUSION. THIS COMMISSION COULD BECOME THE PERMANENT INSTRUMENTALITY FOR CHOOSING THE SITE, OR COULD OPERATE UNTIL SOME EFFECTIVE SYSTEM OPERATING THROUGH THE CONVENTIONS THEMSELVES IS ESTABLISHED.

I CAN'T THINK WE SHOULD WAIT FOR THE RESULTS FROM DIPCON V BEFORE ACTING. /* I AGREE THAT WE SHOULD MOVE TO RESOLVE THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS.*/ ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO ORGANIZE SOMETHING MAY OCCUR AT THE CON (THOUGH I HAVE HEARD OF NONE), BUT EVEN SO WE SHOULD BE READY WITH A PROPOSAL. SOME MAY QUESTION THE "RIGHT" OF THE CC TO ESTABLISH SUCH A COMMISSION, BUT IF THE CONVENTION ITSELF CANNOT ESTABLISH ONE, WHO ELSE IS LEFT? /* WE COULD WAIT TO SEE IF TOA MOVES TO DO SOMETHING IN THIS AREA, BUT I THINK WE WOULD WAIT A LONG TIME.*/ THE VARIOUS BRCAO-BASED MEMBERSHIP DIPLOMACY ORGANIZATIONS ARE HINDERED BY FACTIONALISM AND DISORGANIZATION, WHILE THE CC INCLUDES MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO ORGANIZE DIPLOMACY ACTIVITIES. WE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE THE MOST INTERESTED IN THE CONVENTIONS.

I BELIEVE THAT A FINAL PROPOSAL SHOULD BE PREPARED IN TIME FOR DIPCON V (JULY 23-27), FOR POSSIBLE PRESENTATION AND ENDORSEMENT THERE. THIS I WOULD LIKE TO START A DISCUSSION OF SPECIFICS SO THAT IF WE CHOOSE TO ACT, THERE WILL BE NO DELAY. I HAVE NOT WRITTEN A FORMAL PROPOSAL, BECAUSE WHOEVER WRITES THE ACCEPTED PROPOSAL (IF ANY) SHOULD ATTEND DIPCON V TO PRESENT IT, AND I MAY NOT BE THERE. /* I DON'T THINK IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR THE WRITER OF THE PROPOSAL TO BE AT THE DIPCON TO PRESENT IT. THIS WOULD RESTRICT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT LIKELY TO ATTEND (YOURSELF FOR ONE) FROM ATTEMPTING TO FORMULATE A PROPOSAL FOR ACCEPTANCE.*/

A COMMISSION ELECTED AFTER EACH DIPCON BY THE CC MEMBERSHIP SHOULD ACCEPT BIDS AND CHOOSE A CONSITE. THE COMMISSION WILL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING BIDS, FOR CHANGING SITE IF THE CHOSEN GROUP DEFAULTS, ETC. THE CCN SHOULD BE IN DIFFERENT AREAS EACH YEAR. I SUGGEST TWO MEMBERS FROM EACH OF FOUR AREAS, THE EXTENT OF WHICH WE CAN DETERMINE LATER - MIDWEST, WEST, EAST, SOUTH. THE CHIEF OF THE CC WILL BE TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN, AND WILL HAVE A TIE-BREAKING VOTE. THE PERMANENT CHAIRMAN (NOT THE CC CHIEF) SHOULD HAVE A VOTE AT ALL TIMES SO THAT HE AND HIS AREA ARE NOT SLIGHTED. /* FROM LEV'S LAST REMARK IT APPEARS THAT HE WOULD HAVE THE PCC CHIEF HEAD UP THE COMMISSION UNTIL IT BECAME VIABLE.*/

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2. SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE NAMES -
3. DO YOU APPROVE OF THE EXPRESSED POLICY OF THE CHIEF? YES NO
4. WHY DID YOU ANSWER NUMBER 3 THE WAY YOU DID?
5. COMMENTS AND PROPOSALS FOR PUBLICATION - PLEASE LIMIT TO 24 LINES TYPED.

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